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GROUP MEMBERSHIP

REF: EC BRUSSELS 5797

1. UPON RETURN FROM BRUSSELS ECG MEETING (REF-
TEL), FONOFF OFFICE DIRECTOR GUNNAR RIBERHOLDT
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TOLD US HE HAD INFORMED FRENCH AT BRUSSELS THAT

DENMARK VERY MUCH HOPES FRENCH WILL NOW FIND THEMSELVES ABLE TO JOIN ECG AND STATE THEIR POSITION SOON. HE NOTED TO THE FRENCH THE USEFULNESS OF HAVING EC PARTICIPATE AS A WHOLE WHICH WOULD BE THE CASE IF FRENCH JOINED. HE SAID HE EMPHASIZED, HOWEVER, THAT IF THEY DO NOT JOIN, "THAT'S TOO BAD BUT OUR (DANISH) PARTICIPATION AND THAT OF THE OTHERS WILL CONTINUE." RIBERHOLDT SAID FRENCH WERE TAKEN ABACK BY THIS "TAKE IT OR LEAVE IT" APPROACH BUT HE FELT THIS TO BE ONLY WAY ULTIMATELY TO ACHIEVE FRENCH COOPERATION.

2. RIBERHOLDT SAID DANES PLAN TO TAKE SAME LINE WITH FRENCH PM CHIRAC, PRESENTLY VISITING COPENHAGEN, SHOULD ENERGY QUESTION ARISE. SUBSTANTIVE TALKS CONCLUDE AUGUST 1 AND WE EXPECT TO HEAR FRIDAY WHETHER, AND IN WHICH FORM, ENERGY POLICY WAS DISCUSSED WITH CHIRAC.
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